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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to hiring practices, and to urge the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to conduct a study on the effect of illegal immigration on Tennessee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-1-103(d), is amended by deleting the language "Class B misdemeanor" and by substituting instead the language "Class A misdemeanor".

SECTION 2. The Tennessee department of labor and workforce development is hereby directed to conduct a study on the effect of illegal immigration on Tennessee including, but not limited to, any current and future fiscal impact on state and local governments in the area of governmental services, economic development, education and healthcare. As part of the study, the committee shall examine:

- (1) The fiscal impact of illegal immigration on the public school systems of this state due to increased demand for English as a secondary language service;
- (2) The costs associated with the increased demand for bilingual governmental employees, especially law enforcement personnel and court officials;
 - (3) The social and economic impact upon the Tennessee job market; and
- (4) The non-reimbursed costs of public healthcare services for such immigrants.
 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.